

HOUSE RESOLUTION 268

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Dr. James, Jr., and Betty Hutchinson on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 1962, Dr. James, Jr., and Betty Hutchinson were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Dr. and Mrs. Hutchinson have been highly respected citizens of the Lascassas community for many years; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, born in Jackson, Mississippi, James "Jim" Hutchinson earned his undergraduate degree in chemistry from Mississippi Southern College, obtained a masters degree in chemistry from the University of Iowa, earned his doctorate in chemistry from Auburn University, and completed a post-doctoral program at Indiana University; and

WHEREAS, a proud and valorous veteran, Dr. Hutchinson served his country with the courage and conviction of a true patriot in the United States Army, rendering sterling service with the 23rd Medical Unit; and

WHEREAS, for nearly three decades, Dr. Hutchinson served with acumen and alacrity as a professor of chemistry at Middle Tennessee State University, earning the respect of his colleagues and students alike due to his brilliant insights, engaging classroom demeanor, and genuine concern for his pupils; and

WHEREAS, in addition to providing the highest quality education to his students in the classroom, Jim Hutchinson also served with distinction as the Chairman of the Chemistry Department and Faculty Advisor to the Chemistry Club; and

WHEREAS, Betty Hutchinson was born in Coldwater, Mississippi and graduated from Hernando Consolidated High School in 1952; and

WHEREAS, a woman of true elegance and virtue, Mrs. Hutchinson has led an exemplary life, selflessly devoting many of her days to raising their children with the utmost character, motherly love, and moral integrity; and

WHEREAS, after returning to the workforce, this phenomenal woman cultivated a reputation for excellence throughout her illustrious tenure as a bookkeeper for both WGNS radio in Murfreesboro and the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced two children, James and Melinda, each of whom has excelled in his or her particular field of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the Hutchinsons are also the proud in-laws of John Brunner and the doting grandparents of Isaac, Nathan, and Aaron Brunner; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Hutchinsons' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Dr. James, Jr., and Betty Hutchinson on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.